HOUSE BILL 2494

By Fincher

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-203, relative to workers' compensation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-203, is amended by deleting the period at the end of the first sentence of subsection (a) and by substituting instead the following:

provided, that no action prematurely filed by an employee shall be dismissed for failure to comply with this process, but the action shall be stayed until a benefit review conference can be held at the request of the employer. Any other action should be dismissed upon a properly filed motion requesting such dismissal.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.